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Dear Stakeholders:

The USDA Forest Service Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit (LTBMU) is seeking comments on the enclosed Proposed Action for the Emerald Reforestation Project. The project involves planting seedlings within the Emerald Fire, on National Forest System managed lands, with the goal of re-establishing conifer species and restoring the area to forested condition. This project is described in more detail in the enclosed Proposed Action document. Please refer to the attached project area map for the spatial location of project activities.

How to Comment and Timeframe

This project is in the initial (scoping) stage of National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis. We are asking for your comments on this Proposed Action. This scoping notice is intended to provide those interested in or affected by this project with an opportunity to make their concerns known. If you have information the Forest Service may not be aware of, or feel you have issues (points of dispute, debate, or disagreement) regarding potential effects of the Proposed Action, please send your comments to Paul Guarnaccia, Assistant Silviculturist, Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit, 35 College Dr., South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150.

Written, facsimile, hand-delivered, and electronic comments concerning this project will be most helpful if they are submitted by **April 28, 2017**. The office business hours for those providing hand-delivered comments are 8:00 am to 4:30 pm Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Electronic comments must be submitted in a format such as an email message, plain text (.txt), rich text format (.rtf), portable document format (.pdf) or Word (.doc or .docx) to comments-pacificsouthwest-ltbmu@fs.fed.us using subject: Emerald Fire Reforestation Project.

The Proposed Action and maps, as well as any project updates, are posted on the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit website at: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/ltbmu/EmeraldRestoration>. For further information regarding this Proposed Action, contact Paul Guarnaccia at (530) 543-2898, email – pguarnaccia@fs.fed.us.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

